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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

AT RICHMOND, February 19, 1999

APPLICATION OF

UNITED TELEPHONE-SOUTHEAST, INC.

CASE NO. PUC990008

To classify its National
Directory Assistance as
Competitive

ORDER PRESCRIBING NOTICE AND HEARING

On January 13, 1999, United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("United") filed a proposed revision to its General Subscriber Services Tariff to add a new National Directory Assistance service to be classified as competitive pursuant to Paragraph 4 of United's Alternative Regulatory Plan ("Plan"). As required by that paragraph of the Plan, United notified the Attorney General and all certificated interexchange carriers.

The Commission is of the opinion that this matter should be docketed, and that United should furnish notice to all affected parties pursuant to § 56-235.5 E of the Code of the Virginia and Paragraph 4 of the Plan. Accordingly,

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

(1) This matter is docketed and assigned Case No. PUC990008.

(2) A hearing to consider United's proposed revision to its General Subscriber Services Tariff is scheduled for May 4, 1999, at 10:00 a.m., in the Commission's Courtroom on the Second Floor of the Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219.

(3) United shall forthwith cause a copy of the following notice to be sent by first class mail to all affected parties, to include interexchange carriers and providers of competitive local exchange services,

NOTICE TO AFFECTED PARTIES THAT UNITED
PROPOSES TO CLASSIFY ITS NATIONAL DIRECTORY
ASSISTANCE SERVICES AS COMPETITIVE
CASE NO. PUC990008

On January 13, 1999, United Telephone-Southeast, Inc. ("United") filed a request that its proposed national directory assistance service be classified as competitive under Paragraph 4 of its Alternative Regulatory Plan ("Plan"). A hearing to consider the classification of this service as competitive and other rate design matters has been scheduled in the Commission's Second Floor Courtroom, Tyler Building, 1300 East Main Street, Richmond, Virginia 23219, May 4, 1999. United is to file any direct testimony and any exhibits it considers necessary to support its proposal on or before March 5, 1999.

On or before March 12, 1999, any person who expects to submit evidence, cross-examine witnesses, or otherwise participate in the proceeding as a protestant, pursuant to SCC Rule 4:6 shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of a notice of protest as described in SCC Rule 5:16(a) with the Clerk of the Commission at the address set

forth below and serve a copy on C. Steve Parrott, 1411 Capital Blvd., Wake Forest, North Carolina 27587-5900.

Any protestant shall file on or before March 12, 1999 an original and fifteen (15) copies of a protest, together with direct testimony and exhibits, with the Clerk of the State Corporation Commission at the address listed below and simultaneously serve a copy thereof upon the Company and upon any other protestant. The protest shall set forth (i) a precise statement of the interest of the protestant in the proceeding; (ii) a full and clear statement of the facts which the protestant is prepared to prove by competent evidence; and (iii) a statement of the specific relief sought and the legal basis therefore.

Any person wishing to submit written comments about the proposed classifications should direct those comments to Joel Peck, Clerk, Virginia State Corporation Commission, Document Control Center, P.O. Box 2118, Richmond, Virginia 23216, and refer to Case No. PUC990008. Such comments shall be filed before the hearing scheduled above.

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(4) On or before March 31, 1999, United shall file proof of the notice prescribed above together with a list of all the persons to whom the notice was mailed.

(5) On or before March 31, 1999, United shall file any direct testimony and exhibits it considers necessary, but, at a minimum, United must show that it has complied with Paragraph 4 of its Plan.

(6) On or before April 16, 1999, any person who expects to submit evidence, cross-examine witnesses, or otherwise participate in the proceeding as a protestant shall file a notice of protest pursuant to Rule 4:6.

(7) On or before April 16, 1999, any person who expects to submit evidence, cross-examine witnesses, or otherwise participate in the proceeding as a protestant shall file an original and fifteen (15) copies of a Protest with Clerk of the State Corporation Commission, together with direct testimony and exhibits.

(8) On or before April 30, 1999, the Commission's Staff shall file any direct testimony and exhibits that it considers proper.

(9) Rebuttal testimony and exhibits concerning the prefiled direct testimony and exhibits of any participant will be received by the Commission ore tenus during the May 4, 1999, hearing.